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MUNITIONS STORAGE FACILITY OPENS AT SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE

SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, Ill. – 375th Airlift Wing Commander Col. Barbara Faulkenberry will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony commemorating the opening of a new munitions storage facility here 3:30 p.m. Nov. 13.

The construction is made possible through the United States House of Representatives' \$3.83 million in FY01 for military construction.

This new facility expands from 144 to 2,260 square feet and provides sufficient space to consolidate all Scott Air Force Base munitions that are currently stored at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., and Peoria Air National Guard Base, Ill.

The structure allows Scott AFB to safeguard and secure the storage of light munitions, meet 100 percent of its mission requirements, and ensure wartime and peacetime readiness.

Construction on the facility began Oct. 30, 2001, and was completed Sept. 12, 2003.

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Media are invited to cover the ribbon-cutting ceremony. Those who are interested should contact the 375th Public Affairs Office NLT Nov. 12 at (618) 256-4241. Media should plan to depart from the parking lot outside of the Shiloh Gate at 3:15 p.m.

For more information on this media release, contact the 375th Airlift Wing Public Affairs office at (618) 256-4241 or (618) 570-8606.